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**PARKS DEPARTMENT ANNOUNCES  
PUBLIC SHADE TREE HEARING  
830-1082 COMMONWEALTH AVENUE**

In accordance with Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 87, the Boston Parks and Recreation Department will hold a public hearing to discuss the proposed removal of 26 public shade trees in the vicinity of 830-1082 Commonwealth Avenue.

The hearing will be held at 10 a.m. on Thursday, December 5, in the 3rd floor Conference Room of the Boston Parks and Recreation Department at 1010 Massachusetts Avenue, Roxbury.

The hearing will discuss an application by the Boston Transportation Department for removal of public shade trees. Specifically, the trees scheduled for discussion have the following diameter at breast height, species identification, and location: 24" Little Leaf Linden at 1033 Commonwealth Ave.; 5" Honey Locust at 1001 Commonwealth Ave.; 4" Burr Oak at 985 Commonwealth Ave.; 15" Honey Locust at 949 Commonwealth Ave.; 3" Sugar Maple and two 3" Chinese Elm near the BU Parking Lot; 4" Red Maple at 830 Commonwealth Ave.; 3" Chinese Elm at 832 Commonwealth Ave.; 6" Red Maple at 832 Commonwealth Ave.; 3" Chinese Elm at 842 Commonwealth Ave.; 3" Chinese Elm at 842 Commonwealth Ave.; 3" Chinese Elm at 846 Commonwealth Ave.; 6" London Plane at 888 Commonwealth Ave.; 6" Little Leaf Linden at 890 Commonwealth Ave.; 3" Red Maple at 896 Commonwealth Ave.; 41" American Elm at 950 Commonwealth Ave.; 30" American Elm at 950 Commonwealth Ave.; 31" American Elm at 1026 Commonwealth Ave.; 24" American Elm at 1026A Commonwealth Ave.; 6" Green Ash at 1032 Commonwealth Ave.; 31" American Elm at 1048 Commonwealth Ave.; 4" Green Ash at 1048 Commonwealth Ave.; 20" American Elm at 1066 Commonwealth Ave.; 4" Green Ash at 1066 Commonwealth Ave.; and 33" American Elm at 1066 Commonwealth Ave.

The request for tree removal has been made due to the Commonwealth Avenue Phase II Streetscape Project which includes the realignment of curb lines to accommodate offsetting the center-line of the MBTA Greenline, B-Train tracks to allow for ADA compliant platform improvements at each of the B-Line Stations. Roadway improvements will include travel lanes, bike lanes, parking, gutters and Route 57 bus stops. The project will add 230 new street trees along Commonwealth Avenue. Streetscape improvements will include new sidewalks, raised granite planters with landscaping, lights, benches, solar powered trash cans and bike racks.

The public hearing will be held by the City of Boston Tree Warden (or designee). Public testimony may be received at the hearing or provided in writing prior to the hearing to the Tree Warden, Boston Parks and Recreation Department, 1010 Massachusetts Avenue, 3<sup>rd</sup> floor, Boston, MA 02118 or [parks@cityofboston.gov](mailto:parks@cityofboston.gov). Please include "Commonwealth Avenue Tree Hearing" in the subject line. A final decision regarding the request for the removal of public shade trees will be made within two weeks of the hearing.

For further information, please contact the Tree Warden at (617) 635-7275.

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